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SUBJECT: GDR THREATS AGAINST PLANNED CDU MEETING IN
BERLIN

REF: BONN 9743; STATE 130953; USBERLIN 1518

1. DEPT APPROVES FOLLOWING BONN GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

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(BONN 9743):

A. TEXT PARA 11 AS GENERAL FRAMEWORK FOR PROTEST TO SOVIETS,
TO BE REVIEWED IN LIGHT OF GDR MEASURES TAKEN IN CONNECTION
WITH JUNE 16 CDU RALLY;

B. DELIVERY OF PROTESTS AT AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL IN THREE

ALLIED CAPITALS IF INTERFERENCE WITH TRANSIT IS SERIOUS;

C. DRAWING AS APPROPRIATE ON TEXT PARA 11 FOR ON THE SPOT
REPLY BY ALLIED OFFICIALS SHOULD SOVIETS RAISE CDU RALLY
ISSUE PRIOR TO JUNE 16;

D. WE ALSO AGREE ON NEED FOR CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE
(PARA 14).

2. WE UNDERSTAND FRG WISH FOR PREEMPTIVE ALLIED DEMARCHES
TO SOVIETS. HOWEVER, WE DOUBT THAT FRENCH ARE LIKELY TO
DROP THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE IDEA AND, IN ANY CASE, WE
CONTINUE TO HAVE RESERVATIONS OURSELVES FOR THE REASONS
SET FORTH STATE 130953.

3. WE WOULD HOPE THAT INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO PARTICIPANTS
IN CDU RALLY INCLUDED A CAUTION THAT THOSE DRIVING TO
BERLIN NOT TRANSPORT LEAFLETS OR POSTERS IN THEIR CARS
WHICH THE GDR COULD CLAIM AS A JUSTIFICATION FOR TURNING
THEM BACK AS THE GDR DID IN CONNECTION WITH THE
"STERNFAHRT" IN AUGUST, 1976. US REP SHOULD QUERY FRG
REP ON THIS POINT, AND IF NOT ALREADY DONE, SUGGEST
THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO PROPOSING TO CDU RALLY
ORGANIZERS THAT APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS BE ISSUED WITHOUT
PUBLICITY. VANCE

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